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MONTANA PUBLIC RADIO TO AIR BURNS-TESTER DEBATE

MISSOULA –

The next round in the debates between U.S. Senate incumbent Conrad Burns and his democratic challenger Jon Tester will air at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 24, on Montana Public Radio.

The Sept. 23 debate in Butte is sponsored by The Montana Standard, Butte's daily newspaper, which will provide a moderator and four journalists to ask questions.

A downloadable audio file of the debate will be available from the station's Web site, <http://www.mtpr.org>, next week.

The last debate between the two candidates took place Sept. 10 at Hamilton High School, where a boisterous capacity crowd packed into the school's performing arts center.

For more information on Montana Public Radio's coverage of the debate, contact Sally Mauk at 406-243-4931 or e-mail sall.mauk@umontana.edu.

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